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than the equivalent of 583 PC/UMS Net Tons.

[63 FR 23221, Apr. 28, 1998]

Subpart B—Levying of Tolls

§133.31 Measurement of vessels; vessels to secure tonnage certificate.

The rules for the measurement of vessels are fixed by part 135 of this chapter. Vessels desiring to transit the Canal shall provide themselves with a tonnage certificate in accordance with §133.32.

[59 FR 43254, Aug. 22, 1994]

§133.32 Measurement of vessels; making and correction of measurements; plans and copies.

Measurements may be made by the admeasurers of the Canal or certain other officials worldwide as designated by the Panama Canal Commission. Each transiting vessel should have aboard and available to Canal authorities a full set of plans and a copy of the measurements which were made at the time of issue of its International Tonnage Certificate (1969), as well as the tonnage certificate itself. A copy of the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) shall be provided to Canal authorities. The Commission reserves the right to check and correct the total volume that is to be used in the calculation of the PC/UMS Net Tonnage.

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§133.33 Measurement of vessels; temporary retention of certificate at Canal.

The official PC/UMS Net Tonnage certificate shall be delivered by the Canal authorities to the vessel or to the owner or agent of the vessel after transit completion. This certificate shall be retained on board the vessel and shall be used to certify that the vessel has been inspected and its PC/UMS Net Tonnage has been determined by the Commission.

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§133.34 Tolls for vessels in ballast.

In order for a vessel to secure the reduced rate of toll for vessels in ballast, it may not be carrying any passengers or cargo nor any fuel for its own consumption in a quantity which exceeds the spaces on the vessel which are available for the carriage of fuel (i.e., the actual volume of tanks or fixed compartments, including settling tanks, used for the storage of lubricating oil or fuel, which spaces cannot be used to stow cargo or stores and which have been certified by official marking to be spaces for the vessel's own fuel).

[54 FR 35148, Aug. 23, 1989; 54 FR 36096, Aug. 31, 1989]

§133.36 Tolls for vessels making partial transit and return.

Vessels passing through the locks at either end of the Panama Canal and returning to the original point of entry without passing through the locks at the other end of the Canal, shall pay the tolls prescribed for a single passage through the Canal. In case such vessels carry cargo or passengers either in passing or returning through the locks, the rate of tolls on laden vessels shall apply.

§133.37 Partial transits by small vessels.

Section 133.36 shall not be interpreted as authorizing vessels less than 65 feet in length, or barges, or rafts of any size not on regular transit schedules and not paying tolls, to navigate the waters of any locks, or of Gaillard Cut to or from Gatun Lake in partial transit of the Canal; specific authority of the Administrator must be obtained through the Marine Director for each such partial transit.

[46 FR 63194, Dec. 30, 1981]

Subpart C—Payment of Tolls and Other Vessel Charges

§133.71 Time of making payment.

(a) Payment of tolls in full shall be made, or secured as provided by §133.74, before a vessel is permitted to enter a lock.

(b) All vessel charges shall be paid, or secured as provided by §133.74, before permission to depart is given a vessel at the port of departure from the Canal: *Provided, however,* That in cases involving emergency or other special circumstances, the requirement of this paragraph may be waived by the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.

[31 FR 12326, Sept. 16, 1966, as amended at 46 FR 63194, Dec. 30, 1981]

§133.72 Same; exception; vessels operated by the United States.

Section 133.71 shall not apply to vessels operated by the Government of the United States; and bills for tolls, where applicable, and for other charges against such vessels, shall be settled as are other obligations between agencies of the Federal Government.

§133.73 Payment to be in cash.

All payments for tolls and other charges shall be made in cash, in lawful money of the United States, except as provided in by §133.74.

§133.74 Same; exception; payment secured by deposit of cash or bonds; credit cards.

(a) The payment of tolls and vessel charges may be secured by making cash deposits for that purpose with the Treasurer of the Panama Canal Commission or such United States depository as may be designated by the Panama Canal Commission.

(b) In lieu of payment in cash or a cash deposit, the payment of tolls and vessel charges may be secured by making deposits, pursuant to written agreement with the Panama Canal Commission, of negotiable bonds of the United States Treasury Department as collateral security for the deposit of public moneys. Such bonds shall be under the full control of the Panama Canal Commission; shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the Panama Canal Commission or such United States depository as may be designated by the Panama Canal Commission and shall be subject to sale or other disposition by the Panama Canal Commission upon any failure in prompt payment of any bill for tolls or vessel charges for which the said bonds are deposited as security.

(c) Vessels assessed a toll of not more than \$1,500 under \$133.1(d) may pay the

respective toll and any charges for ancillary services by credit card, under such conditions as are established by the Commission.

[46 FR 63194, Dec. 30, 1981, as amended at 63 FR 29614, June 1, 1998]

§133.75 To whom payment is to be made.

Payment for tolls and vessel charges shall be made to the Treasurer, Panama Canal Commission.

[46 FR 63195, Dec. 30, 1981]

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